

### **REMARKS**

Claims 1-35 are pending. Claims Claims 1, 12-14, 23, 32, 34 and 35 have been amended. Reconsideration and allowance of the present application based on the following remarks are respectfully requested.

#### ***Objections to the Specification***

The Examiner noted informalities in paragraphs [0003], [0005] and [0036] of the Specification. Applicants have amended these paragraphs to correct the noted informalities. Accordingly, Applicants request the withdrawal of the these objections.

#### ***Objections to the Claims***

The Examiner objected to claims 12, 13, 34 and 35 on account of various informalities. Applicants have amended these claims to correct the noted informalities. Accordingly, Applicants request withdrawal of the these objections.

#### ***Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 and 103***

Claims 1-3, 8-16, 21-25 and 30-35 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) over Bogdan (U.S. Patent No. 5,903,265). Claims 4, 5, 17, 18, 26 and 27 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over Bogdan in view of Morris-Yates (U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0054144). Claims 6, 7, 19, 20, 28 and 29 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over Bogdan in view of Portrait Displays ("Learn How Portrait Displays' Liquid View 2.0 Can Bring On-Screen Navigation Into Focus"). Applicant respectfully traverse this rejection.

Applicants have amended independent claims 1, 14 and 23 to specify that the display properties are backed up by "generating a first registry subkey in a memory of the display system if the display properties are determined to be valid and storing the display properties in a corresponding registry." Applicants submit that no reference cited by the Examiner discloses the method of backing up display properties in a registry as claimed in claims 1, 14 and 23.

In the Office Action, the Examiner states that "backing up the display properties in a corresponding registry" reads on col. 3, lines 29-32 of Bogdan, discussing transferring bitmaps using the BitBlt() function. Applicants submit that bitmaps are not "display properties." Rather, bitmaps are images. "Display properties" properly reads on the properties (called "system metrics" by Bogdan) disclosed in the table spanning columns 3 and 4, properties describing the layout of window elements. Col. 4, lines 10-26 of Bogdan describes the selection of windows

themes, as well as the use of the preview panel. Bogdan nowhere discloses backing up these properties before showing a user a preview of the new settings, let alone backing up these display properties to the registry before displaying the user a preview of the new settings.

Further, neither Morris-Yates nor Portrait Displays remedies the above-referenced deficiencies of Bogdan. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1, 14 and 23 are allowable over the art cited by the Examiner. Claims 2-13, 15-22, and 24-35 are believed allowable for at least the same reasons presented above with respect to claims 1, 14 and 23 by virtue of their dependence from claims 1, 14 or 23.

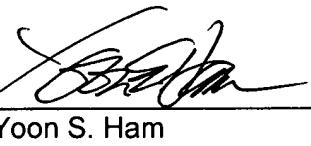
### **Conclusion**

Therefore, all objections and rejections having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Should any issues remain unresolved, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney for Applicant at the telephone number indicated below in order to expeditiously resolve any remaining issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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